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Measures Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 678–685. Page S3340

Measures Reported:

- S. Res. 27, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the 1944 deportation of the Chechen people to central Asia.
- S. Res. 60, urging the immediate release of Kosovar Albanians wrongfully imprisoned in Serbia.
- S. Con. Res. 23, expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the involvement of the Government in Libya in the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103.

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Measures Passed:

National Murder Awareness Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 41, designating April 4, 2001, as "National Murder Awareness Day", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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National Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 55, designating the third week of April as "National Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week" for the year 2001, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Domenici (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 177, to amend the resolution. Page S3357

Domenici (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 178, to amend the title. Page S3357

Congressional Budget Resolution: Senate continued consideration of H. Con. Res. 83, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2002, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2001, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2003 through 2011, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

By 51 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 65), Grassley Amendment No. 173 (to Amendment No. 170), to revise certain provisions providing for a reserve fund for prescription drugs and medicare reform in the Senate.

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Rejected:

By 50 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 66), Baucus Amendment No. 172 (to Amendment No. 170), to establish a prescription drug benefit under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, without using funds generated from either the Medicare or Social Security surpluses, that is voluntary; accessible to all beneficiaries; designed to assist beneficiaries with the high cost of prescription drugs, protect them from excessive out of pocket costs, and give them bargaining power in the market place; affordable to all beneficiaries and the program; administered using private sector entities and competitive purchasing techniques; and consistent with broader Medicare reform.

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Pending:

Domenici Amendment No. 170, in the nature of a substitute. Pages \$3290-\$3333

Grassley Amendment No. 174 (to Amendment No. 170), to provide for additional agriculture assistance.

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Conrad (for Johnson) Amendment No. 176 (to Amendment No. 170), to provide emergency assistance to producers of agricultural commodities in fiscal year 2001, and additional funds for farm and conservation programs during fiscal years 2002 through 2011.

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A unanimous-consent time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of Grassley Amendment No. 174 (to Amendment No. 170) and Johnson Amendment No. 176 (to Amendment No. 170), both listed above, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, April 4, 2001, with votes to occur on or in relation to each amendment beginning at 10:30 a.m. Further, that following the votes, Senator Harkin be recognized to offer an amendment relative to education, and that when the Senate resumes the budget resolution on Wednesday, there be 35 hours remaining for consideration.

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Appointments:

Commission on Indian and Native Alaskan Health Care: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–310, announced the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Commission on Indian and Native Alaskan Health Care; Sara DeCoteau, of South Dakota, and Carole Anne Heart, of South Dakota.

Congressional Recognition for Excellence in Arts Education Awards Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–533, announced the appointment Senators Akaka and Johnson to serve as members of the Congressional Recognition for Excellence in Arts Education Awards Board.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Donna R. McLean, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

James Andrew Kelly, of Hawaii, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (East Asian and Pacific Affairs), vice Stanley O. Roth.

Richard Nathan Haass, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of Service as Director, Policy Planning Staff, Department of State.

Stephen Goldsmith, of Indiana, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2005.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—66)

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 7:22 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, April 4, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages \$3357–58.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine issues related to the need for funding of medical research of Alzheimer's Disease at various facilities, including the National Institutes of Health, the Alzheimer's Clinical Research and Training Program, and the Alzheimer's Matching Grant Programs, after receiving testimony from Representatives Chris Smith and Markey; Richard J. Hodes, Director, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; and Steven T. Dekosky, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Alzheimer's Disease Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsyl-Christine Frey, Peoria, Illinois, Wagenaar, George, Iowa, and David Hyde Pierce, Saratoga Springs, New York, all on behalf of the Alzheimer's Association.

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE, IMAGERY, AND MAPPING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic concluded hearings to examine the Report of the National Commission for the Review of the National Reconnaissance Office and the Report of the Independent Commission on the National Imagery and Mapping Agency, after receiving testimony from Representative Goss, Co-Chairman, Larry D. Cox, Member, Martin C. Faga, Member, and William Schneider, Jr., Member, all of the National Commission for the Review of the National Reconnaissance Office; and Peter Marino, Chairman, Kevin O'Connell, Executive Secretary, Evan Hineman, Member, and Gen. Tom Weinstein, Member, all of the Independent Commission on the National Imagery and Mapping Agency.

DOMESTIC OIL AND NATURAL GAS RESOURCES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues related to the development of a national energy policy for the next decade, focusing on impediments to domestic oil and gas production and its impact on availability and price of energy in the United States, after receiving testimony from P. Patrick Leahy, Associate Director for Geology, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; David J. Hayes, Latham and Watkins,

former Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior, and Mark Rubin, American Petroleum Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Matthew R. Simmons, Simmons and Company International, Houston, Texas, on behalf of the National Petroleum Council; and Neal A. Stanley, Forest Oil Corporation, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of the Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States and Independent Petroleum Association of America.

MEDICARE+CHOICE REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine ways to improve the relationship between Medicare and managed care, focusing Medicare+Choice program reform, which was designed to expand health plans to markets where existing access was limited or non-existent and to offer new types of plans, in addition to controlling costs, receiving testimony from Madeleine Smith, Specialist in Social Legislation, Domestic Social Policy Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Murray N. Ross, Executive Director, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission; Victor E. Turvey, UnitedHealthcare, Maryland Heights, Missouri: Kevin W. McCarthy, Towers Perrin, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Thomas C. Buchmueller, University of California Graduate School of Management, Irvine; and Len M. Nichols, Urban Institute, Washington, D.C.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

- S. 219, to suspend for two years the certification procedures under section 490(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 in order to foster greater multilateral cooperation in international counternarcotics programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:
- S. Res. 27, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the 1944 deportation of the Chechen people to central Asia;
- S. Res. 60, urging the immediate release of Kosovar Albanians wrongfully imprisoned in Serbia;
- S. Con. Res. 7, expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should establish an international education policy to enhance national security and significantly further United States foreign policy and global competitiveness, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Con. Res. 23, expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the involvement of the Government in Libya in the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103: and

The nominations of William Howard Taft, IV, of Virginia, to be Legal Adviser of the Department of State, and a Foreign Service Officer promotion list.

ONLINE ENTERTAINMENT AND COPYRIGHT LAW

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues related to progress being made in finding a balance between ever-advancing online entertainment technology and accessibility, and copyright law and the rights of the artists and entertainment industry, after receiving testimony from Representative Cannon; Richard D. Parsons, AOL Time Warner, Inc., Steve Gottlieb, TVT Records, and Edward P. Murphy, National Music Publishers' Association, Inc., all of New York, New York; Jack Valenti, Motion Picture Association, Sally Greenberg, Consumers Union, and Hilary Rosen, Recording Industry Association of America, all of Washington, D.C.; Hank Barry, Napster, San Mateo, California; Ken Berry, EMI Recorded Music, Hollywood, California; Gerald W. Kearby, Liquid Audio, Inc., Redwood City, California; Robin Richards, MP3.com, Inc., San Diego, California; Mike Farrace, Tower Records/Books/Video, MTS., Inc., West Sacramento, California; Edmund Fish, Intertrust Technologies Corporation, Santa Clara, California; Don Henley, Santa Monica, California, on behalf of the Recording Artists Coalition; and Alanis Morissette, Beverly Hills, California.

NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information concluded hearings to examine the U.S. Commission on National Security/21st Century Hart-Rudman Report, which makes certain recommendations with regard to national security, based on a thorough analysis of the future global security environment and the development of the United States National Security Strategy to deal with that environment, after receiving testimony from former Senator Gary Hart, Co-Chair, former Senator Warren Rudman, Co-Chair, and former Representative Lee Hamilton, Commissioner, all of the U.S. Commission on National Security/21st Century.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 55 public bills, H.R. 1330–1384; 2 private bills, H.R. 1385–1386; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 93–96, and H. Res. 110, 112–113, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 768, to amend the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 to make permanent the favorable treatment of need-based educational aid under the antitrust laws (H. Rept. 107–32);

H.R. 642, to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, amended (H. Rept. 107–33);

H.R. 601, to ensure the continued access of hunters to those Federal lands included within the boundaries of the Craters of the Moon National Monument in the State of Idaho pursuant to Presidential Proclamation 7373 of November 9, 2000, and to continue the applicability of the Taylor Grazing Act to the disposition of grazing fees arising from the use of such lands, amended (H. Rept. 107–34);

H.R. 581, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to use funds appropriated for wildland fire management in the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, to reimburse the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service to facilitate the interagency cooperation required under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 in connection with wildland fire management (H. Rept. 107–35);

H.R. 182, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Eight Mile River in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, amended (H. Rept. 107–36);

H.R. 8, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to phaseout the estate and gift taxes over a 10-year period, amended (H. Rept. 107–37);

H.R. 974, to increase the number of interaccount transfers which may be made from business accounts at depository institutions, to authorize the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to pay interest on reserves, amended (H. Rept. 107–38); and

H. Res. 111, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 8) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to phaseout the estate and gift taxes over a 10-year period (H. Rept. 107–39). Page H1406

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Aderholt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, the Rev. Ronald F. Christian, Lutheran Social Services, Fairfax, Virginia. Page H1356

Recess: The House recessed at 12:54 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H1356

Committee on Judiciary—Permission to File Reports During Recess: The Committee on the Judiciary was given permission to have until Friday, April 20th to file reports on H.R. 392, Private Relief Bill for Nancy Wilson; H.R. 503, Unborn Victims of Violence Act; H.R. 863, Consequence for Juvenile Offenders Act; H.R. 1209, Child Status Protection Act; and H.J. Res. 41, Tax Limitation Constitutional Amendment.

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Committee on Financial Services—Permission to File Report: The Committee on Financial Services received permission to have until midnight to file a report on H.R. 1088, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to reduce fees collected by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following suspensions:

Need-Based Educational Aid: H.R. 768, to amend the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 to make permanent the favorable treatment of needbased educational aid under the antitrust laws (passed by a yea and nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 76); Pages H1360–62, H1384–85

Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness: H. Con. Res. 59, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the establishment of National Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week. Agreed to amend the title;

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Human Rights Situation in Cuba: H. Res. 91, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the human rights situation in Cuba (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 347 yeas to 44 nays with 22 voting "present", Roll No. 77);

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Human Rights Violations in China and Tibet: H. Res. 56, amended, urging the appropriate representative of the United States to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to introduce at the annual meeting of the Commission a resolution calling upon the People's Republic of China to end its human rights violations in China and Tibet

(agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 406 yeas to 6 nays with 6 voting "present", Roll No. 78); and

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Small Business Interest Checking: H.R. 974, amended, to increase the number of interaccount transfers which may be made from business accounts at depository institutions, to authorize the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to pay interest on reserves. Agreed to amend the title.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the following motions to suspend the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Wednesday, April 3.

Chesapeake Bay Office of NOAA: H.R. 642, amended, to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and

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Revised Edition of "Women in Congress": H. Con. Res. 66, authorizing the printing of a revised and updated version of the House document entitled "Women in Congress, 1917–1990" Pages H1380–84

Committee to Attend the Funeral of the Late Honorable Norman Sisisky, a Representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia: Pursuant to H. Res. 107, the Chair announced the Speaker's additional appointment of the following members to the committee to attend the funeral of the late Honorable Norman Sisisky: Representatives Waxman, Frost, Sensenbrenner, Hoyer, Levin, Spratt, Condit, Edwards, Reyes, and Turner.

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District Work Period: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 93, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1384, H1385, and H1385–86. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Committee Meetings

USDA DOMESTIC FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry held a hearing to review the USDA domestic food distribution programs. Testimony was heard from Representative Hall of Ohio; George A. Braley, Act-

ing Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on District of Columbia held a hearing on Corrections and Related Activities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Kathleen Hawk Sawyer, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons; Don Horton, U.S. Marshal, U.S. District Court; and Todd Dillard, U.S. Marshal, D.C. Superior Court; the following officials of the District of Columbia: John L. Clark, D.C. Corrections Trustee; Jasper Ormond, Interim Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency; and Cynthia Jones, Director, Public Defenders Service

LABOR, HHS AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION— FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Select Education held a hearing on Department of Education Financial Management. Testimony was heard from Lorraine Lewis, Inspector General, Department of Education; Jeffrey Steinhoff, Managing Director, Financial Management and Assurance Division, GAO; and a public witness.

INFORMATION PRIVACY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing on An Examination of Existing Federal Statutes Addressing Information Privacy. Testimony was heard from Richard Varn, Chief Information Officer, State of Iowa; and public witnesses.

PROTECTING AMERICAN INTERESTS ABROAD

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs and International Relations held a hearing on "Protecting American Interests Abroad: U.S. Citizens, Businesses, and Non-governmental Organizations." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Peter Bergin, Director, Diplomatic Security Service, Co-Chairman, Overseas Security Advisory Council; Dianne Andruch, Managing Director, Overseas Citizen Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs; Leonard Rogers, Acting Assistant Administrator, Humanitarian Response, AID; and John McCarthy,

Co-Chairman, Overseas Security Advisory Council; and public witnesses.

MANAGING INFORMATION RESOURCES AND TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Technology and Procurement held a hearing on "Enterprise-Wide Strategies for Managing Information Resources and Technology: Learning From State and Local Governments." Testimony was heard from Dave McClure, Director, Information Technology Management Issues, GAO; the following officials of the State of Virginia: Donald W. Upson, Secretary of Technology; and David J. Molchany, Chief Information Officer, County of Fairfax; Charles F. Gerhards, Deputy Secretary, Information Technology, Office of Information Technology, State of Pennsylvania; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FOREST FUELS

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Developing Economic Uses for Forest Fuels. Testimony was heard from Thomas Hamilton, Director, Forest Products Laboratory, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—CALIFORNIA WATER

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held an oversight hearing on California Water-A Regional Perspective. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEATH TAX ELIMINATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule on H.R. 8, Death Tax Elimination Act of 2001, providing one hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides for consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, if offered by Representative Rangel or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thomas and Representative Rangel.

VISION 2001: FUTURE SPACE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on Vision 2001: Future Space. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

INTERNET ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight held a hearing on Internet Entrepreneurship. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the state of the VA Health Care System. Testimony was heard from Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D., Under Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

WELFARE REFORM

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources continued hearings on welfare reform issues. Testimony was heard from Vee Burke, Specialist, Income Maintenance, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Jason A. Turner, Commissioner, Human Resources Administration, New York City; Douglas E. Howard, Director, Family Independence Agency, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

2001 TAX RETURN FILING SEASON

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the 2001 tax return filing season. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, and Nina Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate, Taxpayer Advocate Service, both with the IRS; and David C. Williams, Inspector General, Tax Administration; James R. White, Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, General Government Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—PLAN COLOMBIA

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Plan Colombia. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing

funds for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on ship-building industrial base issues and initiatives, 9:30 a.m., SR–222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine specific measures that have been taken in the United States to prevent bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) "Mad Cow Disease" and assess their adequacy, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine certain issues with respect to international trade and the American economy, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings on the nomination of Argeo Paul Cellucci, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to Canada, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings on the state of the Presidential appointments process, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the constitutionality of employment laws, focusing on states rights and federal remedies, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to mark-up S.211, to amend the Education Amendments of 1978 and the Tribally Controlled Schools Act of 1988 to improve education for Indians, Native Hawaiians, and Alaskan Natives, 2:30 p.m., SR—485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold hearings to examine competitive choices concerning cable and video, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold hearings to review certain issues with respect to immigration policy, 2 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings on the nomination of Tim S. McClain, of California, to be General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, 9:30 a.m., SR–418.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to continue hearings on Federal Farm Commodity Programs, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, on D.C. Courts; Police and Fire, 1:30 p.m., 2362 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, on National Endowment for the Humanities and National Endowment for the Arts, 10:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to continue on NIH Theme hearings, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, to continue hearings on posture of U.S. military forces, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Special Oversight Panel on Department of Energy, hearing on the reorganization plan of the National Nuclear Security Administration, 2 p.m., 2216 Rayburn.

Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare and Recreation, hearing on morale, welfare and recreation programs of the Department of Defense, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health and Environment and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, joint hearing on Patients First: A 21st Century Promise to Ensure Quality and Affordable Health Coverage, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Internet, hearing on E-Rate and Filtering: A Review of the Children's Internet Protection Act, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capitol Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises and the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, joint hearing on promotion of capital availability to American businesses, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing on the "The U.S. Postal Service's Uncertain Financial Outlook," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following measures: H.J. Res. 41, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations; and H.R. 1209, Child Status Protection Act of 2001, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on "Business Method Patents," 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, and the Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, joint oversight hearing on Energy Impacts of the Roadless Rule, 1:30 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on the implementation of the Sustainable Fisheries Act and the reauthorization of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, hearing on Space Station Cost Overrun, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, hearing on Congestion in the U.S. Transportation System, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Department of Veterans Affairs Information Technology Program, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the Nation's Uninsured, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Collection Issues, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, briefing on ELINT Issues, 10 a.m., H–405 Capitol.

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Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 10 a.m., Wednesday, April 4

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of H. Con. Res. 83, Congressional Budget Resolution, with votes to occur on or in relation to Grassley Amendment No. 174 (to Amendment No. 170), and Johnson Amendment No. 176 (to Amendment No. 170), beginning at 10:30 a.m.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 8, Death Tax Elimination Act (modified closed rule, one hour of debate).

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